NICARAGUA CANAL FINANCE

SENATOR SHERMAN MAKES AN EXPLANA-HON.

HE SAYS THE \$12,000,000 OF OUTSTANDING

STOCK WILL BE WORTHLESS-SENATOR TELLUR THINKS THE COMMITTEE'S REPORT SHOWS DIFFERENTLY.

Washington, Feb. 14.-In the Senate to-day the Nienragua Canal bill was then taken up and Mr. Sherman, of Ohio, in charge of it said that he desire! to clear up ambiguities or rather to explain matters about which some senators appeared to be in doubt, These points were us to the amount of stock which evernment was not to own, and also as to outstanding contracts between the Canal Company and the Construction Company. These confincts, he said, tere all to be swept out of existence. They were fall, because they were on the basis of a cost of \$250,000,000 for the construction of the canal. The Government would start with a clear table." It would own \$-0,000,000 out of \$100,-000,000 of the stock, and would have ten directorsthe Maritime Company becoming the mere agent and servant of the United States. Twelve millions of the stock was in the hands of private owners, and could be obtained from them only by some method of contemnation.

Mr. Erice inquired whether it would not be the policy of the Government cholding \$80,000,000 of the stock), to fix the canal tolls so as to leave no dividend for the stock; and whether, in that event, the \$12,000,000 of stock in the hands of private ownerwould be of any value at all.

Mr. Sherman replied that his colleague had stated very clearly the exact position which the Committee Mr. Brice inquired on Foreign Relations took. further, whether, in anticipation of that state of facts, the private owners of this stock had not some where some safeguards against such rates of toll being fixed as would leave their stock valueless. If had taken such precautions or safeguards he would like to know what they were.

Mr. Sherman replied that they had no such safe-

"Then of what value will that stock be to them." Brice inquired, "If the Government of United States shall so fix the tolls as to leave nothing for the stockholders?"

"The Committee on Foreign Relations," Mr. Sh rman replied, "was of opinion that, under these circumstances, the stock would be of very little value indeed." Mr. Brice said that he had not made these in

quiries in any spirit of hostility to the bill, or to the causi, as to which he had not made up in his mind But he wanted to know whether the private stockholders were to be granted a real thing, or only the appearance of a thing, in order to eliminate them from further interest in the work.

Mr. Delph suggested that Mr. Sherman was under

wrong impression as to the ownership of the stock question. With the exception of \$1,000,000 of it, the stock was still owned, Mr. Dolph asserted, by the Construction Company, which was virtually the same as the Canal Company, and that middon had been sold at \$50 a share. At least the shares of the Construction Company had been sold with an equal number of shares of the Canal Company, at \$100 a share.

Mr. Teller intervened in the discussion, relying or the report of the Committee on For ign Relations to show that Mr. sierman was mistaken as to some

Mr. Sherman declined to submit to the interraption, which Mr. Teiler excused by saving that he Intervened because the Senator from Ohio had been making a misrepresentation

"That was false," said Mr. Sherman. "I do not I say again that if the Govmisrepresent anything. ernment of the United States shall have the control of this canal, it is not to be presumed that it would levy such tolls as would pay dividends on watered stock or any other stock. The probability is that the Government, dealing with its own property, would levy only toll enough to pay the expense of carrying on the work, the interest on the bonds and the Mr. Teller came back to the report of the committee

and claimed from it that he was right in what he had previously said. "When the Senator from Chio," Mr. Teller continued, "says that my statement is untrue ne denies his own record; he denies the facts on which his bill is lased. If the Committee on Foreign Relations has since ceme to the conclusion that another system is to be adopted by the Government, we are not responsible for that. We are presumed to go, first. on the bill which the committee has presented; and, secondly, on its report, and to suppose that these con tain their ideas. We had a right to say that giving company \$12,000,000 of stock, when it worth more than par, was giving it too much. We had a right to suppose that that stock was going to be worth what the committee says in its report it is going to be worth. We have not been served with any notice that there was a secret intent to to manage the canal that the owners of one fifth of the stock were to get nothing. The statement which I made was from Oblo is, at least, a initiale.

Mr. butter-if we could amen

Mr. hutter—if we come amend the bill so as to climinate the \$12,000,000 of stock would the Senas for from Colorado support it!

Mr. reler—inst has nothing to do with it. The committee is impatient of the saightest criticism of the bill.

bill.

Mr. Butler-Not at all.

Mr. Teller-Yesterday when I made an inquiry my motives were questioned, and, when another senator.

(Mr. Stewart) did the same, his motives were questioned. I am in favor of the Mearagua Capat and have been in favor of it as long as any senator who now supports it. low supports it.

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now supports it.

Mr. Agaire audressed the Senate in support of the bill.

Mr. Higgins offered an amendment providing that none of the bon's shall be delivered to the Cama Company until it shall appear to the arisfaction of the President of the Unite. States that the work can be completed at a cast not exceeding the cash proceeds of the \$100,000,000 of bonds.

Mr. Stewart submitted an amendment to the effect that all money arising from the sale of bonds applicable to the construction and equipment of the canal shall be expended by the secretary of War, and all existing contracts shall be enseeded.

Mr. Quay gave nodec of an amendment that the act shall not take effect until the Government of the United States shall have seenred, by convention with the Governments of Cesta Rica and Nicaragua, the right to fortify and garrison the Drmind of the proposed canal on the Atlantic and Facilic occars, and to march military forces through the territory of either of those states for the purpose of protecting the canal and the persons (clittens of the United States) operating the same.

THE WHISKEY TRUST INVESTIGATION.

Washington, Feb. 14.-The inquiry into the Whiskey Trust was resumed this afternoon, Mr. Greenhu being recalled. He said that the greater part of the company's goods are disposed of through the main at Peoria. The plants could, and occasionally did, sell direct to customers, at prices fixed by the company. The legality of the I-sue of rebate voucher had been decided by United States cour's in thre in favor of the company.

William N. Hobert, treasurer of the company, said that the business of making essences and flavors was extensive. He did not consider them harmful Mr. Stockdale asked if the combination of these with spirits was whiskey. He replied that it was a hard question to answer. Mr. Stockdale asked if these compounts were not sold for whiskey. He replied that they were, being known to the trade as dom stigoods. He told how such goods were branded, and said that dealers knew exactly what they were.

Then, if a customer orders such a compound and wants it branded 'Bourbon,' your firm does so !" aske!

Mr. Hobart said that they did as requested, but did not think any one was deceived.

Mr. Dewar was recalled, and told how he came to
we the Istilling Company, on being appointed to
Government position. He then reviewed his
t to Mr. Gibson at the Grand Facilic Hetel, and
a connection with the machine to destroy the
utelit distilliery.

James N. Veazey, of Cinemant, one of the witnesses before the whiskey Trust Investigating Committee, to day brought suit against President Greenhut, of the Ca the Feeding and Distilling Company, or \$60,000, for libel. The notice was served in the committee room this afternoon at the concinsion of the investigation.

PETER J. CLAASSEN'S SENTENCE REDUCED.

Washington, Feb. 14.-The Pro-ident Ins exercised executive elemency in the case of Peter J. Claussen convicted of embezzling funds of the Sixth National Bank of New York and sentenced March 18, 1801, to ident says he does so on account of the had ealth of the prisoner. He commutes the sentence so as to give the prisoner the benefit of the two years he spent in jail before sentence was pronounced. Tals will leave Claussen only two more years to serve, with the benefit of the usual reduction for good con-

NOMINATED BY THE PRESIDENT.

Washington, Feb. 14.-The President cent to the Myron M. Senate to day the following nominations: Myron M. Parker, of the District of Columbia, to be a com missioner of the District of Columbia, vice John W. Douglass, whose term has expired. First Lieutenant John A. Dapray, 23d Infantry,

to be paymaster with the rank of major; First Lieutenant E. P. Andrus, 5th Cavalry, to be captain: second Lieutenant J. M. Carter, 3d Cavalry, to be first lieutenant; Corporal J. F. Stevens, 11th Infantry, to be second lieutenant.

A REPORT ON THE NAVY IN THE HOUSE. CREDIT TO SECRETARY TRACY FOR HIS CIVIL SERVICE RULES-RECOMMENDATIONS

FOR NEW SHIPS.

Washington, Feb. 14.-Mr. Herbert, of Alabama hairman of the House Naval Affairs Committee, has submitted to the House his report on the Naval Ap repriation bill. The report enters into an elaborate Seventeen new vessels have distory of the new Navy. been completed and twenty-five are in various stageof completion; five of the latter are expected to t ready for sea within three months and, omitting the brooklyn, all the cruisers, the remaining gunboats and i torpedo-boat will be completed during the coming The completed vessels received their gunwithout delay, all of domestic manufacture and thought

to be superior to any made elsewhere.

The report says that the practice of letting out guns to be made by contract has been entirely dicontinued. It has been demonstrated that they can be made cheaper and better by the Government. excellent system of employing only skilled workmen and of retaining them so long as and only while efficient, has contributed materially to the excellent results achieved. Secretary Tracy is entitled to the credit of having applied to this and all other yards system of civil service rules.

In discussing the delay in armor plate deliveries, the report says that it has occurred to such an extent that previous appropriations for this purpose will suffice to meet the present demands. aresem difficulties which have caused the delay have eriously impeded the work of building the armore deliveries hereafter will be reasonably

Besides the armor already contracted for 9,000 more tons are required for vessels hitherto authorized, and all of this cannot, in the committee' opinion, he furnished sooner than August or September, 1895, and if any new armored vessel is authorized under this bill, it would be ready for its armor by It is the opinion of the committee that Congress has so grovided for cruisers that now no others should be built, if we are to have battle ships, which are the fighting strentgh of the modern navy, With seven or eight more of these and their accesand a reasonable number of torpedo boats our Navy would rank fifth among those of the world When the vessels authorized are comple ed, the United

While regretting their lambility to authorize at least me battle ship during the present session, the commilitee think that the unavorance decays in the ob-livers of armor plate render it advisable not to do so. Although the Secretary of the Navy recommends the construction of light draught guobouts, the committee think the anceston condition of the Frensury makes it inadvisable to do so, and therefore recommend the construction of only one such vessel at a cost of

ARRETT'S NOMINATION WITHHELD.

SPECILATION AS TO THE REASON GOVERNOR WERTS DELAYS-CHARGES AGAINST THE EX-GOVERNOR.

Trenton, N. J., Feb. 14 (Special).-When the mem sers of the Legislature went to bed last night it was ith the conviction that all opposition had been will- taken away drawn to fue appointment of ex-Governor Abbett. a Justice of the State Suprame Court. Senator Winn, of Bergen, authorized the announcement that his fight against Abbett was over, and Senators Adrian and Hinchliffe intimated their purpose of voting to confirm Abbett's nomination. Governor Werts, too, was highly pleased with the turn things had taken. and he had concluded to send in Abbett's name with This news was spread rapidly through the halls and corridors of the state House, the comwittee rooms and the botels. Abbett's enemies heard with undisguised anger, and before dawn this morning a scheme to beat Abbett out of the nomination was under way. At breakfast at the hotels it was common rumor that serious charges had been drafted against Abbett for presentation to Governor Everybody heard of the matter, but nobody knew anything about it definitely. Governor Wests knew anything about 4t definitely. Governor Werts was asked for permission to read the charges, but he emphatically denied that any charges against Abbett had reached him. "I know nothing whatever about such charges." he said. "If any have been made, they have not come to me." President Adrain of the Senate, said that there were charges and they were being considered. Senator Winton also said that there were charges and that they were under investigation. Since Governor Wertz denied having received the charges it was universily believed about the State House that the denfisman or anther, lacked the courage either he draftsman, or auth r. lacked the courage either o sign the charges or submit them to the Governor.

Trenten, Feb. 11 (Special).-Mr. Lane this afteroon introduced in the Legislature a substitute for ids anti-winter racing bill. The cristical measure was Department of Docks, countersigned by the not strong enough to suit him. It provided only of the Sinking Fund. The expense and dishment of horseowners and riders caught racing out of the senson. The substitute makes the track-ewners and lesses of tracks equally guilty. Final adjournment is already being talked about, and the racing men connected with the Legislature are encouraging the notion of a break up in a courie No strongly opposed bill could be put brough both houses of the Legislature in such a hort period of time.

Before the Senate adjourned to-day President Adrain named as the special committee to investigate two littles a giganic scheme for the purchase of decidencial Flume and his brigade, Mesers, Keys, Mursh property, the construction of streets alongside of

The House Committee on Agriculture this morning ave a hearing on the bill creating a State Department of Agriculture. Only one man appeared in ver of the measure, and that was Jacob Klotz, vito it is understood wants to be chief of the departent. He is a Somerset County man, an ex-Assemblyman and a close friend of United States Femator McPherson. The opposition to the bill nong farmers is strong. John T. Cox. Grand Master

emong farmers is strong. John T. Cox, Grand Master of the State Grange, said that the nain ground apon which the farmers opposed the bill was that it took from the control of the farmers the only part of the state Government which was helpful to them, manyly, the State Ecard of Agriculture.

An effort is being made by the churches of New-Jersey to secure an exemption of their parsonages from taxation to the extent of \$2,000. The New-York Legislature passed such a law last year. It was care ally worded so that no religious body could ander it shield from taxation a large amount of property that should be taxed. Appeals have appeared in the religious papers of the various denominations arging pastors and trustees to use their influence to secure the New-York law for New-Jersey. So far as can be learned the effort meets with amusual favor from men of all parties.

THE RAPIEFF FUSE FAILS TO WORK.

THREE GUNCOTTON PROJECTILES FIRED BY THE VESUVIUS, BUT NONE EXPLODES.

Port Royal, S. C., Feb. 14.—The question of the efficiency of the Rapieff fuse is rendered more than ever problematical by the results of the experiments Port Royal Sound to-day. The importance of the ay's work was fully anticipated by every one who has watched the progress of the tests. The wonder ful performance of the gans themselves had been demonstrated, but the question of the efficiency of the fuse was naturally of great importance. When It was determined vesterday to fire guncotton charges. it was apparent that in a measure the test would be crucial one so far as the fuse was concerned. The Vesuvius got under way at 7:30 o'clock, a. m., and steamed down the river, preceded by the Wahneta. The Wahnela resumed her usual position 500 yards o the north of the target. Lieutenant Adkerman Lieutenants Briggs and Freemont were at the shore observatories.

Three shots were fired, each from the 2,000 yard ioy. The first projectile was fired at 9:40 a. in.: e shell made a benutiful flight through the cir, falling about twenty yards away from the target. A wide wake of foam was ploughed through the water with a wake of foam was ploughed through the water with a slight reappearance of the projectile beyond the target; but there was no apparent explosion. After the Wahneta reported the results to the beard, who were on the Vesnivas, the second shot was fired. Captain Rapleff had come on board the Wahneta and watched the subsequent shots from her deek. The second property of the second property of the subsequent shots from her deek. The second property of the subsequent shots from her deek. The second property of the subsequent shots from her deek. The second property of the shot was practically a perfect one, it as the shot was practically a perfect one, it is the shot was practically a perfect one, it is the shot was provided in the shot was fred at 11 a.m. The guncotton primer had been replaced by a powder primer, and the object of the shot was not to produce an explosion greater than that which would follow the detonation of the powder train and fulminate caps. The shell fell short about fifty yards. Captain Rapleff thought that an explosion occurred, and it did look as though a slight puff of smoke was wafted over the water. This might possibly have been nothing more than spray, and many of the observers so considered it. Captain Rapleff himself admitted, however, that the fuse could not have noted in the case of the two guncotton shells.

After the experiments were over the Wahneta took captain Rapleff and the oscard back to the Vesnivis and Philadelphia, and then steamed up to Port Royal and brought a large party of men and women down to the Philadelphia, and then steamed up to Port Royal and brought a large party of men and women down to the Philadelphia, where they were entertuined by the officers of that vessel. The board declined to my what will be done pact, but say that they have to consider their future action carefully. light reappearance of the projectile beyond the target

A GIGANTIC SCHEME TO PURCHASE DOCK

BILLS PROM MESSRS. PLUNKITT AND WEBSTER REMOVING THE LIMIT ON THE DOCK DEPARTMENT'S EXPENDITURES-

ESTIMATED COST, \$17,000,000.

PROPERTY.

Albany, Feb. 14 (special).- "Smilling" George Plunkitt, in the Senate, and "Solemn" George Web-ster, in the Assembly, have introduced two bills that will probably produce a result startling to the taxpayers of New-York City. A few days ago Senator Plankitt presented a simple little measure of which no notice was taken at the time. Tits was one of the "little local bills" he has in large umbers each session, but which generally turn out to mean a great deal after they have become laws. do with the \$500,000 additional which they now This particular bill took away the limit of money that the Dock Department in New-York could spend yearly on improvements, and allowed this Department to spend any amount of money it can get. Under 1 nder the present law the Department is limited to \$3,000.

000 a year in its expenditures for improvements. While this bill showed upon its face that the Tammany officials who control every branch of the city government were contemplating making some un asually large expenditures in the Dock Department. it was not until to-day that the real purpose of senator Plunkitt's bill was seen. It now has become known that his bill simply was a "leader" for some thing more to follow,

solemn" George Webster introduced the trailer to Smiling" George's bill. It is an amendment to the Consolidation act regarding the powers of the Dock Department in opening up new docks and streets This amendment will give to the Dock Department power that was formerly held by of different departments, and when work a number of different department of the bills from the two Georges was to be done the concurrence of all of the departments affected by it was required. the Dock Board powers that formerly were not possessed by it. The amendment to the law is as

street leading to it or running alongside of it) so de-termined upon or adopted shall include the widening of a street or avenue or the opening or construction of a new street or avenue, or the abandonment or clo ing of a street or axenue already in existence, the power to widen, eper construct, abandon or closs the same shall exclusively re-side with the Department of Docks, who are hereby author ized to take such steps as may be necessary in all regards and if the same shall have been widened or opened the right to maintain the same shall also rist with the Department of Docks, and the street or avenue so widened ch manner from time to time as the Department of Deprovement, the Department of Public Works, the Department of Public Parks or the Commissioner of Street Improvement of the Twenty-third and Twenty-fourth Wirds provement of the Twenty-third and Twenty-fourth Wards as contained in sections 955, 956 and 557 of said chapter 410 of the laws of 1882 as said section 955 is amendably chapter 17 of the laws of 1884, and as given by chapter 545 of the laws of 1890, as the same may relate to the streets or avenues so widened or opened, are hereby taken away from the said Board of Street Opening and partment of Public Parks and the Commissioner instruct of Public Parks and the Common and Twenty-fourth Improvements of the Twenty-third and Twenty-fourth Wards of the city of New-York, and rested in the said Department of Docks, except such power as the Board of Street Opening and Improvement may be now or hereafter Public Works or Department of Public Parks to construct or maintain or authorize along the westerly show of the

This is the bill introduced by Senator Plunkitt, the entire ment of which is found in that portion of it which excepts the amounts awarded for the purchase of private property. The bill is as follows:

Sec. 143. The Controller shall, from time to time, when directed by the commissioners of the Smaling Fund, p epar and issue Bonds of said city, to be called "dock bonds of the city of New-York," signed, scaled, and countersigned in the same manner as other bonds of said city, and bear. amount, and redeemable from time to time, but he included thirty years after the date thereof, for the purpose of raising the moneys necessary to carry out the previsions of title 1 of chopter 15 hereof relating to the Department of Docks, its powers and duties. But not more than \$3,000,000 of said bonds shall be leaved in any one year. sacrotto of sale bones sant the constraint of sale bones and damages awarded upstace except for the purchase money and damages awarded upstace the acquisition of private property, and note of said bond shall be sold for less than the par value thereof. The moneys received from sails of said bonds shall be deposited in the treasury of the city, and shall I drawn out and part by purchase money and damage awarded upon the acq of ir safe proper; the passions under the contracts ized in said title and for work performed under the ex helinging to the said corporation

It is understood that under the pr docks for the use of shippers and the opening

probably one of the most cosity schemes that even ins been proposed.

Speaker sulzer has received a letter from the ser-retary of the Board of Estimate and Apporthonnen-calling the settention of the members of the Legislature to the resolution passed by that heard on the last da-of December, 1892, recommending that no law b-emacted regularing the further issue of bonds until the local authorities shall have first been consulted. The letter was read by the clerk to the Assembly, but as this is the second time that word has come from the Board of Estimate and Apportionment beggins the members of the Legislature to keep down ex-penses, there is not much likelihood of the member-paying any more attention to it than they did to the first appeal.

TO AMEND THE IVES POOL LAW.

A FIVE PER CENT TAX ON ALL RECEIPTS EX-CEPT THOSE FOR ENTRIES OF HORSES. Albany, Feb. 14 (Special).-Controller Campbell had

Senator Parker, of Albany, introduce an important amendment to the Ives Pool law to-day. It imses a tax of 5 per cent on the gross receipts racing associations, except the amount received for

entries of horses. In explanation of this Mil, Deputy Controller Heson and this afternoon: "The present law merely taxe the gross amount of the admission receipts to the tracks. Our amendment taxes all the receipts of the racing associations except those for the entries of horses. Formerly the State received \$10,000 from the Ives Pool law tax. Now it receives only \$30, 000 yearly. We feel that we ought to have the legal right to look at the books of the racing assolations and determine whether or not their state ments to us about their gross receipts are true. That is a new provision also in our bill. Controller Campbell intends to push the bill, and I think we

The proposed law will tax bookmakers indirectly, for they pay the racing associations for the privilege of making books on the race-courses. The amendment concerning the tax upon gross receipts reads

A tax of 5 per centum upon the gross am A tax of 5 per centum upon the gross amount of grounds on which racing is had, owned leased, or emducted by a racing association incorporated under the laws of the State of New-York for the purpose of improving the breed of horses, whether for the improvement of the thoroughbed or the trotting horse, except to prize or purses, shall be annually paid by such as only than to the Controller of the State of New-York within fifteen days after the first day of December in each year

TO TAKE THE VETERANS TO GETTYSBURG.

Albany, Feb. 14 (Special).-Senator Cantor Intro aced a bill to-day appropriating \$59,000 to pay the spenses of taking 5,000 veterans of the war, with lovernor Flower and his staff, to Ge tysburg to ttend the celebration of "New-York Day," on July when monuments to the New-York volunteers who fell in the war will be unveiled. Senator McClelland introduced a bill providing that

the State shell purchase the old courthouse at White Plains in which the Declaration of Independence was approved by the Provincial Congress in 1776.

MAY AMAZE THE TAXPAYERS | Problem of electricity the stringing of wires as con ductors of electricity for running trolley cars in cities of this State having a population of 500,000 or more. There is no possibility of this bill becoming a law at

this session of the Legislature. The majority of its members is not made up of the kind of men who will support a bill of this class beyond a certain point, that point being when influence of a certain nature is brought to bear upon the members who can be influ-enced in the manner usually followed by those who secure the defeat of bills of this sort.

A BILL OF PARTICULARS WANTED. SENATORS DESIRE INFORMATION AS TO HOW THE WORLD'S PAIR APPROPRIATION

WAS EXPENDED. TROM THE REGULAR CORRESPONDENT OF THE TRIBUNE. Albany, Feb. 14.-The Legislature desires some particulars as to the expenditure last year of \$200. 000 for the World's Fair exhibit of the State, and also as to what the World's Fair Commissioners propose to

The bill appropriating \$100,000 more came up in the Senate to-day on the order of third reading. Senator Cantor made a little speech in its favor, in the course of which he said that the \$300,000 had nearly all been expended.

"Last year," said Senator Saxton, "World's Fair mer Thacker doubted if \$250,000 would be needed, although the Republicans of the Senate urged that at least \$500,000 should be appropriated, and now this same Mr. Thacher comes here and says the World's Fair Commissioners desire to expend in all \$600,000. And no reason is given except that, indi viduals having failed to show enthusiastic support of the Fair, the state must now step in. I wish to support this Fair heartily, but I think the Leg slature ought to have an itemized statement from these com-missioners as to the way this money has been ex-It is well to state also that we have not yet learned precisely what was expended last year by these commis-loners and in what way the money was

"We Republicans," sail Senator O'Connor, "were in favor of a large appropriation last year for the World's idea of the amendment to the law is to centralize in Fair, but the Democratic party would not make one What sort of an estimate did the World's Fair Commissioners make last year? it worth anything! Mr. Thacher thought the Commission could not expend \$500,000. These commissioners, it seems to me, should resign, or else they could give us a careful statement as to what they did with the \$300,000 they desire us to appropriate now

Senator Brown, of New York, spoke out in a most ourageous manner. "Originally," he sild, "when the Republicans were in control here in A bany, \$250, 60 was agreed upon before there was any question of politics or any personal feeling over the appropria o \$200,000, but I objected and it was fixed at \$300,000, which was declared to be ample. uilding was to cost only \$75,000. I would like to see a detailed statement of the World's Fair Compenses. What has become of afready appropriated? We have expenses, ppropriated already the large-d sum or any Scale ex-per fillnote. New the Commission asks for as muc-fore. This money is not bego to increase or much the power of the State of New Yora, but to build in the While Uty. I have heard how some part of the armer large appropriation was spent by the World' air Commission. They had \$1.50 bimeleous, the

fear the commissioners of other states would thus again an idea of what New York was going to do and rry to surpass her. There being opposition to the till, lowever, he thought it best that the measure should be loid aside. This was done.

The spirate continued Edward Feener, of Brock. Use, as a member of the State Board of Arbitration in place of Florence Domwan, and he Forest Van Vleet, of Brock. State Board of Alexander C. Eusface.

The tomosthe was been as the state Commissioner in the commissione

place of Alexander I. Basilian The Committee on Runks gave a hearing to Danlel G. Griffin, of Watertown, on senator Mullin's bill endarging the scope of investments of savings banks senator Abearn, of New York, enruestly opposed the bill as being against the interest of the savings banks depositors and the city of New York. It would depute savings bank depositors of their present feeling of security.

DUSINESS IN THE ASSEMBLY. MANEY FOR NATIONAL GUARD EXPENSES-AN

Albany, Feb. 14 (spe in) .- Percival Farquiar intro duced to day a 141 calling for the appropriation of embers of the National Guard at Buffalo during wite men's strike, and at Pire Island during the Frie County to repay it for the amount adupport the soldiers. There is, however ant publish the state on account of the water, and was so numerical able that the crew had

Ssemblyman O'Sullivan, of New York, received all from the Controller this morning to reimburge th be extra expenses at the state quarantine estab roller has power to advance State money. The speaker Salzer has received two bills from the sict Attorney's office in New-York which will be atroduced to morrow. One of them requires the

here a stay has been granted by a judge outside of the Indicial district in which the case was tries unst be approved by the presiding judge of the disand also by the Associate Justice of the supremotion; before whom the case came. The other make a misdemeanor punishable by a fine of \$2,000 c aprisonment for one year to keep a place open for e purpose of receiving money to be wagered sidil, speed or endurance of man or beast This is the bill that the District-Attorney's office has here last year to shut up the poelrooms, but which miled to become a law. From the complexion of the majority of the present Legislature the bill stands about as much chance of getting through now as it did has

steer for Charleston. They did not even know the day of the month. The stren headed toward the Carolina ceast. The steemer seminole, which tenched New York, yesterday, spose the suren a few miles from Cape Romanie on February 11. The Rittle propeller signated 123 days out and bound for America. The captain of the seminole gave the tour men who went to sea in the suren a quantity of biscuits, and told them how they might steer for Charleston, Cape Romaine or Wilmington. The Siren has not yet been reported.

The Knudsvig riso halled the schooner RIa, of Annapells, Md., on February 7. She was waterlogged, her three masts were gone and her sails were lying on deck. as much chance of getting taronga now as it did has year.

Assemblyman Butts put in to-day what became known last year as the "stein Mother-in-Law" idli. This measure makes it a misdemeanor for any one to attempt in any way to separate busband and wife. Mr. Barmard introduced this morning a measure repealing absolutely all of the inheritance tax laws. Semething like \$1,000,000 was collected by the Controller last year through these laws. Assemblyman Webster intends to withdraw his bill turning over the Forty-second-st, reservoir for a park, and Assemblyman Farquibar reintroduced it. Mr. Farquibar had a bill here a year or two ago to make the top of the reservoir a beer garden, but it was defeated. He thinks now that he has a lien on all measures affecting this reservoir and ought therefore to have the handling of all bills connected with it.

NO POSTMAN'S BACK BROKEN.

FEW VALENTINES WERE SENT YESTERDAY-THE CUSTOM DYING OUT.

st Valentine's Day is the day when people he postman. He is not thought of much just before the election and in the holidays, when he really hi his hardest work, but mention of him in connection with St. Valentine's Day is as inevitable as the ref erence to Cupid. Sympathy is never wasted on the New-York letter carrier or postal clerk. He is nearly always overworked. The eight hour law nearly always overworked. must frequently be disregarded owing to the exigence of business, and at times employes in the Postoffice work every day in the week for several months a Pity for the lot of the postman i herefore never entirely misspent.

The "messenger of Cupid," however, made no pleafor any special commiseration yesterday. Perhaps he didn't know it was Valentine's Day. If he did, it was because some one told him, or he recollected the date, for he had no extra mail to speak of on ac count of the holiday. Some valentines were sent, of course, but they formed so small a percentage of he New York postal force that no additional men had o be set to work on their account.

The number of valentines was said to be about the ame as last year, but anything like an excet comparison was, of course, impossible. Still, the custom of sending the reminders of love or malice is surely mot holding its own. Perhaps in a decade people will cease to say "Poor postman!" on February 14.

A FACTORY TURNED INTO A BALLROOM. Glens Falls, N. Y., Feb. 14 (Special).- The ball

of the season was held to-night in the new factory building of Well, Haskell & Co., which was hand-omely decorated for the occa-ion. One thousand guest-were present, including society people from Cohors, New-York City, Saratoga, Fort Edward, Sandy Hill. Whitehall and adjoining villages. The guests were received by Mrs. John Hitchings, of Giens Falls assisted by Miss Emma Burke, of Cohoes: Mrs. G. S A BILL AGAINST TROLLY WIRES.

Albany, Feb. 14 (Special).—A bill was introduced in the Assembly this morning by Joseph J. Cahill, of Miss Lens Wallers.

Raley, Mrs. James A. Holden, Mrs. Charles Wilson, Gleat's Falls: Mrs. William M. Haskell, Mrs. Samuel Well, Mrs. August Well, Mrs. Veyer, New-York; and Miss Lens Wallers.

SWEPT BY HEAVY SEAS.

TEMPESTUOUS VOYAGE OF THE HURONA.

BY A GIANT WAVE,

almost demolished, and everything movable on her

of her crew was drowned, another had been borne

away by a monster wave and then harled back to

the vessel safe and sound, and two seamen were in

jured. The Hurona sailed from Leith on January 21

with a cargo of merchandise and cattle. She was commanded by Captain Talt. On February 1, while in

surged over her and carried everything m

tain death, five seamen stood ready to man

doned the attempt to hanch the boat.

lifeboat. It was impossible for any light craft to

live in such a storm, and the men reluctantly aban-

the vessel. She would not respond to the helm, and,

nearly on her beam ends, lay unmanageable and help

less in the trough of the sea. James Dakers, one

a spar, when a mountainous sea boarded the

of the officers, was standing near the stack hisbling

the eyes of the crew he was tossed about like a

cork. There was no human way of giving him as

sistance. Just as he was about to give up the un

drenched and exhausted, was left upon the deck ten feet astern of the place where he had been standing

Two other men were injured, and it was not until

erday that they were able to get about the decks

The storm-wrenched vessel, with her crippled crew

ad a respite of three days, and then the element

arstans, and the vessel was ourse. Many of the eattle pens were torn away, an ourse. Many of the hirricane tore the heavy wooden wer-he force of the hirricane tore the heavy wooden wer-rom the Iron bolts. The next day the Haron ourse her bows, which stove in he

SUFFERING AND PRIVATION AT SEA.

THE CAPTAIN OF AN ABANDONED AND BURNED

BARK TELLS THE STORY OF A TINY BOAT

The log of the last voyage of the steamer Neptuno

ells a story of peril and privation which sounds

trangely in this age of safe and mold occur travel.

the Kundsvig, besides relating their own experience with the winds and weather, told the story of the

emarkable voyage of the steam launch, Siren. Cap-

tain Frazer, of the Neptano, sighted the Kundsvig

f distress, and was in danger of sinking at any

logwood took up the water rapidly, and rendered the

four feet of water in the hold, and the water was

aining at the rate of ten inches an hour, when she

Captain Evenon and his crew of nine men had

when reserved by the Neptune. The Kundsvig was

lying in the direct path of steamers, between crooked

sland and New York, and was a dangerous obstacle

e navigation. The first mate of the Neptune, Charles

set the to het in several places. The flames were

arsting from below dechs, and the rigging was en-

cloped in wreaths of smole- when the Neptuno re-

amed her voyage. The Knud-vig was a large bark

of 1.750 tons. She was 270 feet long and her breadth

Captein Evenson, of the Pandsvig, said that on

twenty tom

February 6, off the Carolina coast, he spoke the steam

burden. She was 129 days out from London, bound

s a schooner and her propeller was lasted on deck

had been sent from Lendon in charge of four me

dish coast the crew became sick from definition

the impure water in the tanks, and for six days the

she burned no lights, and one midnight she came

the provisions began to give out, and the water

was almost too foul to drink. The er-w had not the

dightest idea where they were, and had lost all sectioning. The vessel had become so fouled by

The captain of the Enudsvig supplied the crew

of the Siren with provisions, and advised them to

BRAYF SAILORS REWARDED.

The bravery of the sailors of the freight steamer

Marengo, who rescued the crew of the pilot boat

Edward Cooper, 600 miles out at sea lest December,

was rewarded yesterday. The Board of Illot Com-

missioners sent for the members of the crew of the Marengo who manned the lifeboat, officially com-

ended them for their conduct, and gave to each of hem a present. The first officer, John Cook Clark.

Archibaid McPherson, seamen, each received \$25

n gold. The other two of the crew of five which

bootswain, Walter Winteringham, and John Bolton, a scamm. They are now in Hull, and they will find a gift from the Pilot Commissioners ready for

them when they return to New-York. The presenta-

tion was made by Ambrese Snow, tresident of the Board of Pilot Commissioners. On behalf of the men, toswald Sanderson, one of the ments of the Wisson Line, to which the Marengo belongs, made a response.

MARYLAND TOWNS DAMAGED BY FLOODS,

Port Deposit, Md., Feb. 14 especial, -There was nother break in the ice gorge at Mc all's Ferry to-

day, and in three hours the river here rose two feet

and is still ri-ing. The main streets of the town

to night are being navigated by row bonts. The cellars and first floors of the houses are flooded. At Rock

fun the Presbyterian Church is flooded and consider-

thie damming has been done. Masses of its cover the whatves here, and the railroad station is filled with

footing ice. Travel on the Port Deposit and Col-umbia Railroad was suspended this atternoon. The

gorge below here is even worse than that of 1886, and the situation is extremely critical. The great quan-tities of ice above, however, are moving and may partly hold the water in check. Every effort is being made to open the gorge below.

at to the rescue of the Edward Cooper were the

a gold watch, and George Newby and

up all hope of reaching port. She was rigge

for Bermuda, she had -httpped great quantiti

or use at Bermuda. When a few days out fro

tass, and was owned by Carl to A Co

propeller stren. The tessel was of

aptain and was last overboard.

parageles that she could not be managed.

izhlian, went on board the abandoned vessel, and

adition of the vessel almost helpless. There were

Horduras to England, with a cargo of logwood.

norning, brought the captain and erew of

WHICH WAS LOST ON THE OCEAN.

shapped a heavy sea over her bows, which stor ventilators and flooded the cobin. During the the voyage the weather moderated and the was able to make this port in safety.

trained their artiflery upon her for the third time

equal struggle he was harled back to the ship, and,

Three days later the heavy seas again rolled over

fore them.

decks had been carried away by winter storms.

swept away, her steering gear

ONE OF HER CREW DROWNED AND ANOTHER WASHED OVERBOARD AND BACK AGAIN

known to all men." Court the fresh air day and night. "Oh, if you knee Dismantled and wrecked by hurricanes and storms what was in the air." the steamer Hurona crept into port yesterday and was towed up the river by three tigs. Her wheel-

Simplify! simplify! simplify!"

Sleep and rest abundantly. Sleep is Nature's bene Spend less nervous energy each day than you make

"A light heart lives long.

LIFE'S SECRETS.

Don't overest. Don't starve. "Let your moderation

"Too swift arrives as tardy as too slow?"

Think only healthful thoughts. "As a men thinketh in his heart, so is he.

Avoid passion and excitement. A moment's anger may be fatal. Associate with healthy people. Health is contagious

"Don't carry the whole world on your shoulders, to less the universe. Trust the eternal."
Watch the first signs of a coming cold. Nine-tenths et

latitude 53.18 and lengitude 30.15, the vessel was essed about by a fremendous storm from the northall diseases start with a cold. If, at any time, you feel chilly, if you sneeze, if you have cold hands or feet, if your head seems heavy or aches, take at once the best and purest stimulant you can secure. There are many that are claimed to be good stimulants, but there is only one that is strictly reliable and possesses. west for fourteen hours. Great masses of water William Atchison, a young Scotch sen man, was standing near the how with several of the crew. He was caught manwares and harled out to

the best qualities, and that is Duffy's Puce Malt Whiskey.

This whiskey has made more friends by reason of when sea as if shot from a gigantic catapult. His crie than any other preparation of the were drowned by the roar of the hurricane, and he present day. Do not let your druggist or grocer argue win was drawn down in a circling whirlpool. One of the you upon this subject, but insist upon having the pure and best, which will aid you to solve "Life's Serreta." eamen saw his body under the stern of the ship Planks and life buoys were thrown out, and although to venture into the rolling seas meant almost cer-

> during Mr. Coleman's incumbency which would furnish parallel to the condition of the city on MonChy; Mr. Bremen still yesterday that when the bad weather disappeared he would have things in good shape. It is only then in good weather that people can expect to have passable thoroughfares.

> ven bring the block system to the surface again. Yesterlay afternoon the department had a force of 300 carts and 600 men brought together to work on the streets luring the night, for shoveling up the show in Broaden and bifth-eve., and earting it away. The same force will te placed on other thoroughfares to-night,

ANOTHER BLIZZARD IN MINNESOTA.

St. Paul, Minn., Feb. 14.-A blizzard raged last beld in the northwestern part of this State with ter rible severity, but abatel sem what to day. At Crookston the snow drifted badly, and all trains are tied up. At that place the thermometer fell from 40 above zero yesterday to 20 below this morning, a drop of co degrees. At Moothend the snow is piled up, trains delayed and the temperature below zero.

LAST TUESDAY EVENING DANCE

The last of the Tuesday evening dances, which have been among the most noteworthy of the subscription bulls of the winter, took place at Sherry's last night. The reception mons, where Mrs. Peabody Wetmore, Mrs. William J. schieffelin, Mrs. J. Frederic Kernochan, Mrs. Lorillard Spincer and Mrs. James A. Burden received the guests, were decorated with pulms and flowers, with here and there flirtation Dancing for the first half-hour was most infortsel, and I was nearly midnight when the co'llon began, Alexander M. Hadden leading. The Mardi Gras collion was the feature of the evening. There were several sets of favors, among them folly sticks and caps, and for the last figure there was a The Neptuno, which reached quaranties vesterday mimic snowball fight, the paper snowballs being filled with confetti. The ballroom was hung with abandoned Norwegian bark, Knudsvig. The crew of tinsel gauze, and from the centre the favors were suspended in a mimic balloon. The music for danding was by Lander's orchestra and the Hungarian Band. Suppor was served about 1:10 o'clock, in the rooms of the ground floor. last Saturday, at 10 a. m. She was flying signals Among the guests were Mr. and Mrs. Charles

G. Francklyn, Mrs. J. Frederic Kernochan, Mrs. noment, she had encountered a succession of heavy Luther Kountze, Mr. and Mrs. J. F. E. Lanier, Mr. and Mrs. Nicholas Fish, Madame Honaparte, Possparte, Mr. and Mrs. Adrian Iselin, jr., Mrs. William D. Morgan, Mrs. Alexander S. Webb. the Misses Webb, Mrs. Lorillard, Mr. and Mrs. William D. Sloane, Mr. and Mrs. S. V. Cruger, Mrs. Robert L. Clarkson, Miss Otts, Mr. and Mrs. Duncan Elliot, Mrs. Henry Sloane, Mr. and Mrs. George Peabody Wetmore, the Misses Wetmore, John C. Furman, Mr. and Mrs. William J. Schieffelin, Miss Edith Shepard, given up all hope. They were weak and exhausted Mr. and Mrs. Newbold Le Roy Edgar, Miss Manice, Wilson, Mr. and Mrs. Benjamin Wells, Mrs. and Mrs. H. McK. Twombly, Mrs. J. Pierpont Morgan, the Misses Morgan, Miss Berryman, Mrs. James A. Burden, Miss Ethel Irvin, Mrs. Henry A. Coster, Miss Coster, Mrs. John C. Wilmering Miss Wilmerding, Mr. and Mrs. C. S. Dodge, Mrs. William K. Vanderbilt, Miss Jane Campbell, the Misses Cutting, Mr. and Mrs. George B. de Forest, Mr. and Mrs. George L. Rives, Mr. and Mrs. I. Town end Eursien, Miss Eurden, Mrs. Frederic De Peyster, Miss De Peyster, Mr. and Mrs. Pierre Lorillard, Jr. Mrs. Alexander Van Rensschaer, the Misses Van Rensselaer, Mrs. Henry Jarvis and Mr. and Mrs. Leo

MANHATTAN CLUB TICKET NUMBER ONE

THREE OF FIVE GOVERNORS RENOMINATED YOUNG BLOOD WANTS A CHANGE.

The younger element in the Manhottan Club has threw down the gauntlet by posting a tickes for the annual these terms expire do not appear. The election is not were in a helpless condition. For a week the tiny hip drifted at the mercy of the winds and waves. take place until the second Friday in March. overnors who have served their three years are Edward schell, Robert Maclay, Christopher C. Baldwin, J. Sorgeant Cram and Francis Key Pendleton. The ticket nto collision with an naknown back. She was damposted on Monday bears the names of Meses Schell. Nactay and Baldwin, and substitute those of D. E. Bala and Chester C. Monroe for those of Meses Cram and aned, and the only boat which she had on board was mashed to pieces. When the capinin was able to

on his feet he tried to take an observation and and Cheste it his learning. The vessel gave a sudden larch and perfection is sexual fell from the nerveless fingers of the Arc Cra Mr. Cram is chairman of the House Committee. He is Mr. Cram is chairman of the House Committee. He is a great personal friend of ex-Mayor Grant, whom he accompanied on his trip to Europe. This intimacy caused the appointment of Mr. Cram as Dock Commissioner, he being procedure of the board. He is also a warm friend of J. G. K. Lawrence, with whom he is often seen at ties. Mr. Cram's family is one of the best in the dicton, but only a desire for a change of management. There is already talk of a second ticket. A canvass being made with a view to seeing what support another

of carelidates would commend. When the new board organizes it will elect the officers No opposition to the re-election of Frederic R. Condert as president has been prominently manifested. As the governors will be the same as last year, with only two or three exceptions at the most, Mr. Coudert will no double succeed himself if he desires to do so. He and his "anti-snapper" associates did not oppose the resolution to give a reception for Senator-elect Edward Murphy, ir, and this may be taken as a sign that factional lines will not be drawn in the board when the time for the election arrives.

"THE SPORTSMAN" AT THE STANDARD. A farcical play of a sort which has become thoroughly

familiar through numerous recent adoptations from the French was acted for the first time here at the Standard Theatre last night. It is called "The Sportsman," the adaptation is by William Lestocq, the French original is the work of Georges Faydean, and it is played company known as Charles Frohman's Comedians. The principle of playwriting of this kind is to produce a laugh in any way possible. The laugh having been produced the writer is catisfied with the result, and his only remaining object is to produce more of them. Crusia situations and relations of character are conceived to be indicrous, and the characters are therefore placed in that situations and relations, with a prefense of cause and effect if possible, without it if necessary. The result is naturally that the actors are seen to do many things which nobody sees exactly why they do, as far as the story to nobedy sees carefly why they do, as far os the storf to be told is concerned, though it is obvious enough that they had to do them in order to produce the particular complication of calairs which the writer of the play fell that he ne ded. In all this, accordingly, "The Sportman" is a fair example of its kind. The situations, one produced are thoroughly amusing, and the play, similar at no higher object or more lasting usefulness, provides good evening's entertainment. Such a play needs, in order that it may be made

ceptable, the services of a trained and Competent set actors, capable of grasping the possibilities of every point offered them, of presenting its full comic force clearly and quickly, and of passing on to the next without giving the audience an instant's time to think and to compare. Such ectors the present play has. The brightest illumination is given to its devious ways by Mrs. Georgic Drew Barr-more. Her buorancy of spirit and manner, and her ready and unfailing definess of execution carry the spectator gavly over many a spot where his credulity and his imagi-nation night otherwise receive rough jobs. Joseph Hel-land is a most able second, and his treatment of humoress land is a most able second, and his treatment of humerous incident and perplexity is most appreciative and entertaising. M. A. Kennedy and Charles Abbe are appropriately the subjects of special mention. Miss Margaret Craven has a small part which she performs as conscientiously as if it were a large one, and as amusingly. Miss Minde Ittell and Miss Stella Teuton complete the cast.

A one-act play entitled "The Judge and the Burglar" began the evening's performance. The programme said that it was "an unconsidered trifle." It would have been a fortunate thing if it could have been considered before it was acted at such length as was allowed even by its one act.

The Street Cleaning Department showed some feeble igns of life after the complete paralysis which seized it on Monday, but little was done that might be expected from municipal corps which expends nearly \$7,000 a day of the taxpayers' noney. The storm of Monday created of the daxpavers honer. The storm of Monday created an emergency which ought to have been embraced by Commissioner Bremnan and his men as a spendid opportunity for showing with what skill, promptness, and choroughness their department could but the streets of the city in decent condition. They are gotting more than twice the money that Commissioner James S. Colemas re-